REMARKS

As discussed with the Examiner during several telephone conversations, the present amendment is being submitted to amend the specification to more clearly indicate figures of drawings that are associated with the Examples, to even more clearly indicate the formulas in Examples 10 and 11, and to more clearly indicate a compound used in Example 7. The Examiner indicated that these amendments are acceptable and would be entered upon filing of an amendment.

Applicants note that the amendments also include the correction of typographical errors.

Also, in order that the record is clear, upon review of the Amendment filed February 4, 2003, it is noted that the amendments to the paragraph appearing at page 42, lines 10-28 were inadvertently indicated as page 39, line 2 to page 40, line 1. Since each of these paragraphs are amended in the present amendment, the record should presently be clear in this regard.

Moreover, as discussed with the Examiner, Applicants note that the compound shown in line 1 of Example 10 was obtained by the method described in WO 99/61061, and this information is being submitted herewith to ensure that the record is complete.

Still further, as discussed with the Examiner and to ensure that the record is clear,

Applicants note that the sequence identifiers are utilized in the application to represent the
spacers or the spacer portions of compounds as compared to the whole compound, and the
Examiner indicated that this is acceptable even though the spacer is included in compounds.

Applicants further request receipt of an Office Filing Receipt indicating the naming of the corrected inventors as approved by the Examiner.

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Applicants further request receipt of an Office Filing Receipt indicating the naming of the corrected inventors as approved by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the amendment after allowance of the application.

If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to further discuss this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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